Safe drinking water in Delhi

1929. SHRI O.T. LEPCHA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any plan for providing safe drinking water supply to the people of Delhi and North-Eastern Region;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by Government for implementation of the above plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) to (c) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Problems of urban cities

1930. DR. K. MALAISAMY: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether he is aware of major physical problems that have emerged in almost all urban cities particularly in major metro cities, the frequent traffic jams for want of adequate infrastructural facilities like overbridges, subways, roads, parking spaces, etc.;

(b) whether any study or survey has been undertaken;

(c) if so, the major observations; and

(d) the major short-term and long-term measures undertaken?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN): (a) to (d) Urban transport is a State subject. As the needs for each cities are different, the studies are conducted by concerned cities/State Governments and proposals submitted to the Government of India, if Central financial assistance is required.

However, realizing the seriousness of rapidly growing problem of urban transportation, Government has approved National Urban Transport Policy (NUTP) in April, 2006. The Policy provides guidelines and incentives to the States/cities to design their urban transport strategies.